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AD Krause reassigned within administration

Staff Report KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State administration will take on a new face next year at both president and athletic director positions after Bob Krause resigned Tuesday from his post as K-State athletics di-

The decision to step down came less than 10 months after

Krause replaced former athletics director Tim Weiser, who now serves as deputy commissioner of the Big 12 Conference.

"For almost a year now, I have worked with the athletics department since this



DIRECTTOR

KRAUSE FORMER ATHLETIC university as it makes a transition of leadership in the president's office," Krause said. "I believe the department is in very good shape. We have excellent coaches in place at all

has been a high priority for the

"The restructuring of administrative responsibilities have our resources aligned with the goals of positioning our teams to compete for championships the senior staff has a wealth of experience and effective internal and external working relationships."

The change comes in light of an article published by the Topeka Capital-Journal. The article surfaced the evening of Jan. 21 as reports were published about a dispute between President Jon Wefald and Weiser.

The dispute resulted in a \$1.9 million settlement being issued to Weiser just a year after he was awarded a 10-year extension in 2006, but because of irreconcilable differences with decision-making and control within the athletics department, Wefald and Weiser decided to part ways.

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Moving up Recruiting results in higher Chinese enrollment By Elizaveta Zheganina this trend resulted from several from recruiting. From fall 2007 KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN major developments. through spring 2009 the numbers A strong middle class of parof students who applied through Recruitment practices initithe China office have increased ents who want good educations ated by the university-supported for their children, he said. Unisubstantially. China office allowed K-State to versities in China are struggling Chinese students can also apboast a record-high enrollment of to meet this growing demand. ply to K-State independently, by-Chinese students this semester. Lewis said the booming econopassing the China office. How-In 1997, only 10 Chinese my also expanded the job marever, by fall 2008, more students ket, which made it easier for Chicame through the China office as undergraduate students were nese students to prove to the U.S. the office's organization expandenrolled compared to the most recent statistics, which show consular officers that they will reed. The office operates through 431 undergraduates in fall 2008. a network of agents who recruit turn home upon the completion students throughout China. K-State became the first university of their degrees. in the United States to open a fully While the increasing number "Really, by spring 2008, the supported university recruitment of Chinese students in many U.S. China office had a good number office in China. universities resulted from these of agents that covered the entire Jim Lewis, director of factors only, "K-State's effort has country and were able to get a lot international pre-admissions and been a little more focused." Lewis of applications," Lewis said. recruiting at K-State, said the This increase in the number of Chinese students at K-State China office has been operating in The China office started by Beijing since October 2006, and had a tremendous effect on the making a Web site for K-State in has contributed to the growing Chinese. Its representatives have university and community at large. He said these students will number of Chinese students on also participated in the fall and stay at K-State for four years and spring student recruiting fairs in major Chinese cities. Many universities and col-See CHINA, Page 8 Generally, as with any counleges around the U.S. have seen a recent increase in the number of try office, Lewis said it takes **Continued from Page 1** students from China. Lewis said about a year to really show results

Man found dead at building site

Staff Report KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A man died at a residential construction site near Manhattan Monday afternoon, according to a Pottawatomie County Sheriff's Office press release.

Dispatchers received a call at 1:54 p.m. from an inspector who had found an unresponsive man mostly buried in a trench at a construction site at 4189 McMillin.

The man, 25-year-old Christopher Kramer of Alta Vista, Kan., had been installing plumbing lines when the trench collapsed, according to the Topeka Capital-Journal. Kramer was pronounced dead at

Firefighters worked until about 10:30 p.m. Monday to remove Kramer's body.

K-State opens financial therapy clinic downtown

By Steven Godlewski

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Institute of Personal Financial Planning at K-State opens today and sponsors its first financial therapy clinic.

The clinic will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays on the second floor of the Colony Square building at 555 Poyntz Ave., Suite 231.

Kristy Archuleta, assistant professor at K-State, is a member of a team spearheading the project.

The clinic's goal is to help the community, not just the university, she said.

"We thought the downtown location could be easily accessed by the communi-

ty," Archuleta said. "There is an obvious need for financial help for people in trouble."

"The goal is to blend marriage and family therapy with financial planning because what we're finding is that people who have financial problems also tend to have relationship problems," said John Grable, team member and professor of family studies and human services.

Grable said the clinic is trying to create a positive atmosphere unlike the financial therapy in the media, which is comprised of humiliation and negativity to get people to change their habits.

"There are a lot of people doing crossover work but we're going to be able to see if these methods actually work," she said.

CHINESE UNDERGRADUATES FROM 2004-08

Another goal of the clinic is to conduct research and train students.

Archuleta said this will measure the effectiveness of traditional financial therapy methods and show if applying marriage and family counseling actually helps financial situations.

"As far as we are aware, this is the very first clinic of its kind in terms of actually conducting clinic research on what works," she said.

Graduate students in the marriage and family therapy

and financial planning programs are going to be the first to work in the clinic, but eventually the goal is to incorporate undergraduate students into the mix and get them to teach other students about the knowledge gained.

-compiled with data from the K-State Registrar's Office

Grable said students who participate will receive lots of benefits and there are companies coming to K-State looking for students who are good in customer service.

This will be an opportunity to expand the students' careers.

"I think everyone is very excited, it's been a long process to get the clinic up and running, so I think it'll be a pretty fun day," Grable said.



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THE PLANNER

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The Agri-Industry Career Fair will be from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. today on the second floor of the K-State Student Union. It is sponsored by Career & Employment Services.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Myungshim Kang at 2:30 p.m. today in Hale 114. The thesis topic is "Molecular Dynamics Simulations and Theory of Intermolecular Interactions in

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Kuei-I Lee at 3:30 p.m. today in Justin 150. The thesis topic is "Using the Theory of Planned Behavior to Assess Participation in Congregate Meal Programs."

There will be an open forum about the expansion of Peters Recreation Complex from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday at the K-State Student Union Courtyard. There will be preliminary concept plans prepared by student representatives for review and discussion. Input and comments from students, faculty and staff

William Gilliland of the Stowers Institute will give the seminar "New directions in meiotic chromosome movement" at 4 p.m. Thursday in Ackert 221. The Division of Biology is sponsoring the seminar.

Boy Scout Troop 75 is having its Fourth Annual Spaghetti Dinner from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall at 612 Poyntz Ave. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 7 to 11. Children 6 and under eat free. Tickets can be bought at the door or by calling 785-776-8821.

Career and Employment Services will sponsor on-campus interviews beginning Monday.

Alpha Kappa Psi, the professional co-ed business frater**nity, will have** an informational meeting at 6 p.m. Feb. 4 in Kedzie 004. The first meeting will be at 6 p.m. Feb. 5 in Kedzie 004.

Recreational Services is offering the Group Fitness Instructor Training Course for individuals interested in instructing group fitness sessions at Peters Recreation Complex. This 8-week course begins Feb. 4. For more information, contact Melissa Haug at

Applications for Student Alumni Board are now available at the K-State Alumni Center or online at www.k-state.com/sab. There will be an information reception at 4:30 p.m. Feb. 5 at the Alumni Center for anyone interested in finding out more about the group. Applications are due at the Alumni Center at 5 p.m. Feb. 11.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the

doctoral dissertation of Christopher Laingen at 3:30 p.m. Feb. 6 in Seaton 132. The thesis topic is "Complex Feedbacks Among Human and Natural Systems and Pheasant Hunting in South Dakota USA"

Women on Weights, a free workshop offered by Peters Recreation Complex, will be from noon to 2 p.m. Feb. 8. Participants can learn introductory lifting techniques for women. The workshop will be limited to 30 people, and interested women can sign up in the office at the Rec Complex.

The Disney College Program will give presentations on internships at 5 p.m. Feb. 18 and 12:30 p.m. Feb. 19 in K-State Student Union 213

A \$500 scholarship for the fall semester for nontraditional **students is being offered** by the League of Women Voters. The deadline is March 15. See the Office of Nontraditional Student Services in Holton 101 or www.ksu.edu/adult/scholarships.

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WEIRD NEWS

TEEN POSES AS CHICAGO COP

CHICAGO - A 14-year-old boy accused of impersonating a police officer and going on patrol has pled not guilty.

The teenager appeared in a juvenile courtroom Monday, and a judge ordered he be held at the juvenile center.

On Saturday, the teen, wearing an officer's uniform, walked into a police station and was assigned to go on patrol. He partnered with an officer for about five hours. Officers noticed his uniform lacked a

star that is part of the regulation uniform.

Police say the boy did not have a gun, issue tickets or drive the squad car.

BOYFRIEND SHOT OVER SLEEP

MONROE, La. - A 21-year-old Monroe woman charged with aggravated battery allegedly told police she shot her boyfriend because he wouldn't let her sleep.

The woman was charged with shooting her boyfriend, who was found by Ouachita Parish sheriff's deputies in his car at an intersection early Saturday. He had been shot once in the hip.

Deputies said the woman allegedly led authorities to the handgun, which she had thrown into a culvert.

WOMAN TEACHES HOW TO STEAL

LEHIGH ACRES, Fla. - Lee County authorities say a 24-year-old woman taught children how to shoplift then abandoned them when the group was stopped. She was charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor, child cruelty and larceny petit theft

An investigator said the woman walked into a store with four children and showed a 12-year-old how to hide clothes.

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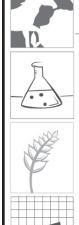
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Counseling Services launches University Life Café Web site

By Jacie Noel KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A new Web site is giving K-State students more ways to express themselves while offering a variety of resources related to college students' needs.

University Life Café is an interactive Web site that allows students to stay connected through expression. Students are able to share thoughts, ideas and work - like poems and art - with other students on the site.

K-State is the first university in the country to have an interactive Web site like this, which students helped create.

The site is available to the general public, but only those who are current members of the K-State community via electronic IDs are allowed to use the interactive components like blogs.

Barbara Pearson, assistant director of counseling services, said this will allow K-State users to keep their identities protected and private while on the site.

Students can create a profile and then contribute to the site in a variety

They are able to express themselves by adding artwork in a section of the site titled "Student Brew" or by posting stories, commentary and questions in "The Blog."

Students can also keep informed on upcoming campus and Manhattan-related events in the "Events" section and look up informative modules and downloadable tips on "Bookshelf."

The final section of the site, "Discover Yourself," lets students make assessments on university health and learning.

Pearson said University Life Café was created for students to access a wide array of information. She also said today's college student is very comfortable engaging in a variety of online activities.

"Many students have been doing these things since they were young, and they have become

quite accustomed to communicating with friends, family and others using the Internet," she said.

Student input for the site was gathered from a student advisory board, focus groups and a twoday retreat attended by the students and faculty.

Pearson said representatives from other universities commented on student and faculty commitment and enthusiasm when the site was presented at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Campus Grantee Conference in Phoenix earlier this month.

She said the representatives were surprised about how ready K-State faculty and students were to contribute to the site.

"They stated that K-State appeared to have a lot of community spirit and dedication," Pearson

"Their comments reaffirmed the type of students and faculty drawn to K-State."

Pearson also said students are encouraged to participate in all aspects of the Web site, especially "The Blog."

"Students identified the need for student articles as well as for articles by a professional staff," she said. "Students believed that a blog would personalize and enhance student participation.

"Other students reading these articles can realize that they experience similar problems and not feel as isolated."

She also said students can receive help from their peers, which they might not have otherwise.

While students are able to receive help, Pearson said the site does not provide therapy or counseling. It is informational only. Students seeking professional counseling help are encouraged to do so by contacting K-State Counseling Services.

Special projects coordinator Dana Maxwell said she was excited to work on the Web site because she said it was a way for students to help

University Life Café Launch Event

Wednesday — K-State Counseling Services will sponsor a launching event for the University Life Café Web site from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the K-State Student Union Courtyard.

Special projects coordinator Dana Maxwell said there will be computers and a projector set up so students can check out the site. The K-State pep band will also play at noon, and students will have a chance to enter a raffle for door prizes.

"I wanted to learn how we could break through the stigma and effectively run a site that allows those who may not walk into sites on campus for help," Maxwell said.

We expect students will find this site a very rewarding place to hang out, and it will help build a community with distance learners as well as K-State's other campus locations."

Pat Caruso, practicum student at counseling services, said he became interested in working on the Web site because of the project's ingenuity and its potential to have a real effect on campus.

"I think that University Life Café will not only become an excellent place for students to express themselves creatively, but will also be a tremendous resource for student wellness issues on campus," he

Caruso said the most exciting aspect of the site for him since he has started on the University Life Project has been the enthusiasm surrounding the Web site.

"Those working on the site are full of great ideas to implement," Caruso said, "and students have expressed a lot of interest in utilizing the Student Brew and Blog pag-

Students can check out University Life Café at www.universitylifecafe.

Homelessness to be calculated

By Jenene Heavy KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The United Way of Riley County and the Manhattan Emergency Shelter are jointly conducting a census of homeless people in the area today by placing surveyors at food banks, health clinics and other human needs service provider loca-

The operation in Riley County is part of a 40-county census, called "Everybody Counts," to report on the homeless population of Kansas

"Everybody Counts" is the first comprehensive, coordinated statewide homeless count.

The results will be submitted to federal agencies that will use the data to determine the annual amount of federal funding given to agencies that provide food, shelter and other needed services the homeless population use.

Representatives from the Riley County Police Department, Social and Rehabilitation Services and Pawnee Mental Health Services, as well as other volunteers, will work from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. visiting areas known to have homeless activity.

Individuals and families receiving temporary shelter from family or friends are encouraged to identify themselves to be counted in the census at the Flint Hills Breadbasket, located at 905 Yuma St., between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

"There is an invisible form of homelessness that is incredibly difficult to identify and count," Dianne Paukstelis, executive Director of United Way of Riley County, said in a press release. "Many individuals and families are constantly bouncing between family and friends or living out of cars for shelter. It is vital that these people come forward to be counted?

Surveyors will provide information available programs and services, like health care, financial counseling and possible permanent housing.

A 2008 survey allowed the Manhattan Emergency Shelter to receive in \$712,000 in grant funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for enhancing services to homeless in Manhattan.

As a result, two new permanent housing programs were constructed this past year.

"The count has a direct influence on the amount of funding available to our community," said Mandy Chapman-Semple, executive director of the Manhattan Emergency Shelter.

"The survey results will help charity groups and government officials respond more appropriately to the community's needs.'

More than 70 companies to provide opportunities for jobs, internships at fair

By Deborah Muhwezi KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

K-State students will be able to meet an array of agriculturally related organizations looking for job opportunities today at the Agri-Industry Career Fair.

The fair will be from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in the K-State Student Union Ball-

"[There's] a wide range of companies and organizations that are in the agricultural industry, and they'll be coming and looking for full-time employees and interns," said Mary Ellen Barkley, assistant director of Career and Employment Services.

Barkley, who is the liaison to the College of Agriculture and Human Ecology, said this is the third year for the fair. With more than 70 companies coming this year, CES has been planning diligently to make this year's fair a success.

Though the title of the event might seem geared toward students in agricultural fields, Barkley is encouraging every student to at-

"There are opportunities for students in other areas as well," she said. "It is for all students at the university and all students are welcome to come."

Barkley said preparation for the fair began in April 2008. After evaluating how the prior fair went, a committee met a number of times, focusing on reviewing student feedback. She said this is one of the main reasons why there are new companies this

"The students have been really helpful to us," she said. "They provide feedback to see employers they would like to see come to the fair."

Tyler Axman, junior in food science and industry, said the fair is a great way for students to be prepared for the future.

'Career fairs are very important for students to find jobs and internships," he said. "It is also good to let companies know that we have great students here at K-State."

Barkley said he is encouraging every student to attend the fair, regardless of age

"It's a great opportunity for any student to get a sense of what this type of event is like," she said. "It's about the chance to be able to talk to employers and learn about the possibilities that are out there for them."

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K–State administration turnover to be expected

Just as in politics, when U.S. presidents leave the White House, members of their cabinet often vacate their positions. Now K-State is going through this process as the tenure of President Ion Wefald comes to a close.

It all started last semester when Tom Rawson, the university's vice president for administration and finance, announced his retirement at the end of the 2008 calendar

Now, Bob Krause has resigned as athletics director to take a fundraising position as director of development for the K-State-Olathe Innovation Campus. Krause has been an administrator at K-State for more than 21 years.

Rawson and Krause both worked at the university for much of Wefald's tenure, and students and faculty should not be surprised if more members of Wefald's "cabinet" choose to step down from their positions.

With all these changes being made, it can be somewhat disconcerting, but students must remember this can often happen. The future might be uncertain for now, but a new administration will soon be in place.

As in Washington, D.C., change can bring much-needed hope and enthusiasm to a stale environment. Here too, it can bring new challenges and a fresh start that will help K-State grow and accomplish new initiatives.

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Common grounds



Illustration by Molly Miller | COLLEGIAN

Couples should always seek compatibility, not race



JASMINE WILCOXSON

I've seen her reaction when she sees the couple.

The twitch of her neck shows just how offended she is. The roll of her eyes. Her nose in the air. She turns away in

Yes, these attitudes still exist toward interracial couples.

Interracial marriage was illegal until 42 years ago when the Supreme Court ruled against a Virginia state law that banned whites from marrying nonwhites. According to the Census Bureau, blackwhite marriages increased from 65,000 in 1970 to 422,000 in 2005 – an increase of more than 667 percent.

I realize this is a touchy subject for some. But if you've ever found yourself staring at a interracial couple, you must decide if you are really accepting of what

Let's be honest here, your reaction will show it all. I roll my eyes at a black man dating a woman who is clearly not black. Interestingly though, I don't react the same to a black woman dating a non-

What's wrong with this picture? I have to ask myself if I have a problem with interracial dating. Interracial dating is not just a black and white subject - there's a gray area that's always overlooked. The truth is, many couples are in interracial relationships for the wrong

The line is crossed when someone dates a person of a different race looking for qualities they believe don't exist in people of their own race. Some people are in interracial relationships simply because they think they chose the better

I hope all people in today's world can accept who they are and who they

Today is different from yesterday – when blacks didn't have the same opportunities as everyone else in this country. However, we have no reason to be jealous or feel inferior to any other race.

Dating outside of our respective race

is not wrong. Dating outside of our race with ulterior motives is wrong.

You cross the line when you date outside of your race and declare that your taste in men has changed. Dating a man who is not black will not change whatever problems you have with black men. You shouldn't choose to date a different race because you think you'll find better men or women within it.

I address all men and women of every race when I say you are foolish to date someone of a different race just to try something different or experiment.

I have to apologize to those interracial couples who truly have loving relationships that I made snap judgments about.

I'm not disturbed with interracial dating; I react to the negative issues in connection to it. We are all ignorant at times, but that doesn't excuse those who don't accept interracial dating.

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'Art czar' position a risk more than a benefit



FRANK MALE

As you all have noticed, there's a new president in the White House. With new administrations come new policies, new directions and new positions. One such position is the National Adviser for the Arts.

According to a Jan. 6 article on artnet.com, the Obama administration was "seriously considering the idea of an official White House Office of the Arts, overseeing all things having to do with the arts and arts education."

Many other nations have entire departments devoted to the arts. Art Department Head Gerry Craig said, "It would be great if the United States would get into the game of recognizing the arts as an important part of the country."

However, for a skeptic of the government like myself, this is alarming. It is incredibly vague, and the "art czar's" portfolio would likely be defined by the person rather than the office and could have dangerous re-

The theory, as I understand it, is that the arts community should emulate the science community, which already has a national adviser. The arts and sciences are regarded as sisters, after all, and what works for the science community should be implemented for artists as well.

However, there are several issues with the creation of an office of the arts. Art policy is different than science policy, it often has political and social intent and the arts are more liberated without government oversight.

While science is driven by institutionalized research and hard facts, art is largely pursued by freelance individuals and is highly subjective. What constitutes good science is clearly spelled out, but what constitutes good art is entirely up to the artist and the art appreciator. This has led to different approaches to handling art and science issues. Since World War II, scientific research has been increasingly concentrated in large research institutes, hence the \$17.3 billion annual funding for NASA.

An arts office would likely set up arts institutes and begin a concentration of artists. Such a concentration would make government funding easier and more cost-effective and ensure artists a steadier income, but it would hurt artistic quality overall. One of the causes leading to the Columbia space shuttle disaster was determined to be Groupthink, a think tank where people come to a consensus decision that minimizes conflict. Imagine the boredom we would find if an institute of art succumbed to Groupthink, creating different versions of the same art ad nauseam.

The political and social implications of art also create problems for a White House Office of the Arts. There is an inherent conflict of interest in funding activities that are connected to politics. Artists on the federal payroll would be much less likely to make art critical of government, no matter how fitting it is. Controversial works could be suppressed, regardless of merit. With government art policy put in a single office, censorship becomes a concern, whether it be implicit or explicit.

Lastly, government control over art is too constricting. Art is a free-flowing entity, where breaking conventions can be just as important as making them. Government, on the other hand, is well structured and has definite rules, conventions and bureaucracy. Art is meant to entertain and provoke, and government is meant to be supremely utilitarian. The two are incom-

Is it even practical to have an office of the arts?

Our government has enough on its plate at this point. Bringing in an arts czar is unnecessary and would complicate things. Why waste a good thing like art by shoving it further under the government's thumb?

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keep things cold.

If I see one more fur-lined pair of

Jeremy's refrigerator is from the

1800s. You have to put ice in it to

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You might be a frat guy if you call in a Rowdy Jones comment.

I wanna take you to the gay bar.

To the girl looking for the Valentine: there are guys here on campus. Quit being so shallow.

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Three things in life are certain: death, taxes and lint in your belly

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Two words: scorch muffins.

Some guy at Kramer told me he'd bring me back to the meat today.

There's this string between Lopez and Will. But there is not a string between Old Greg and his downstairs mess-up?

There's nothing on my forehead, my eyes are perfectly fine, and you may not eat my friends.

To the boy interested in smiling Fourum girl: a little more detail

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To everyone who came to our party

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15-degree weather.

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Every book is a children's book if a

My mom reads the Fourum. It's part



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STUDENT TRAVELS

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Molly McGuire, sophomore in political science, traveled the East Coast on the Barack Obama campaign trail prior to his election. McGuire said she is excited for the next four years and hopefully for the next eight.

Obama supporter takes semester off to help with campaign

By Lauren Taggart

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

he political trail is often a long and exhausting road that leads either to victory or defeat. Supporters of a particular candidate or cause invest time and energy to assist their favorite campaigns in any way possible. Some do this from the comfort of their homes, while others experience the campaign trail

Last semester, Molly McGuire traveled the East Coast with Barack Obama's presidential campaign. McGuire, sophomore in political science and

speech, returned to K-State this month to continue ollege after taking a semester off to work on the campaign trail. She spent five months in North Carolina dur-

ing the general election season.

"It was difficult being away," she said. "I

invested a lot of time with the primary season here in Manhattan, and leaving meant I had to miss out on the general election activities."

This was not McGuire's first experience in the political circuit. McGuire said her involvement with the Kansas Democratic Party allowed her to work alongside field organizers in the state, who later invited her to North Carolina.

"I got a call in July to go, and I immediately said yes," McGuire said. "Obama is the best choice for our country, so this was a prime time to get in-

McGuire did whatever was needed during the general election to help lead Obama's campaign to

"Our main focus was to get people out to the polls as much as possible to vote," McGuire said. "This often involved canvassing and making phone

Though McGuire is accustomed to working in

a political atmosphere, she said she encountered a few bumps along the way

McGuire had to switch from an urban political setting to more rural surroundings.

Working in a rural environment made me more aware of how people perceive you and how to understand different points of view," she said. McGuire's diligent efforts and transitions paid

off at the end of her travels. "Winning North Carolina was a long shot, but we were ecstatic that the state went blue," she said. Now that she is back on campus, McGuire con-

tinues to pursue a career in politics. She said she would like to continue to work on campaigns and possibly policy-making in the fu-

"If Obama runs again after his first term, I hope to work on his re-election campaign," McGuire said. "But I am up for whatever opportunities might present themselves.

CLET'S TALK ABOUT SEX

Several options available for STD testing in Manhattan



COLTHARP

Q: Do you know of a place in Manhattan that offers free STD testing? How do I keep my parents from finding out about it?

A: There are several options for testing in the Manhattan area, including any family practitioner or private practice, the Women's Clinic at Lafene Health Center, Riley County Health Department, KSTAT (a 24-hour service offered as an alternative to the emergency room), Mercy Regional Hospital, and Regional Aids Project. Prices vary depending on which

office you visit. While no site offers free complete STD testing, some places might have free testing or reduced rates for specific STDs. For example, RAP offers free HIV testing, while the health department works on a sliding scale, and the price is determined by individual income.

Many places offer a price break when getting tested for more than one STD or might offer a "couples package."

Coupons are also available for reduced testing prices. Shop around and ask different testing facilities what they have to offer. All testing and results are confidential and cannot be shared with anyone without your written consent.

However, if you are on your parents' insurance, the only way to keep your parents unaware of your office visit is by telling the testing clinic that you are uninsured. This might mean you pay more for the test, but this would keep your parents in the dark. Then, if your parents did find out, the only information they have access to is what you give them. While you can be tested for most STDs, a universal STD test is not available. Similarly, while most STDs have a test to determine your status, not all can be cured. A select few can only be managed.

As a patient, it is your responsibility to clearly state what you want to be test-

Saying "I need to get tested for STDs" is too vague. Standard tests offered might differ among health clinics.

Testing might include a blood test, urinalysis or swab. Though it might seem expensive, especially if you are uninsured, the price of not being tested puts you at significantly greater risk. This could lead to serious health complications, discomfort, pain and could cost more in the long run through treatment and future medical bills. Not all STDs are curable. If you've put yourself at risk, get tested.

My advice: Pay the money now. This might save you from more expenses later. Proper condom usage significantly reduces your chance of contracting an STD.

And, as we have all heard, the only sure way to keep clean is by abstaining from sex. Whatever choice is best for you, the way I see it, one night of careless fun is not worth a lifetime of infection.

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Undeveloped main characters, violent content mar exciting plot

"Wizard's First Rule"

**** **Review by Lisa Thompson**

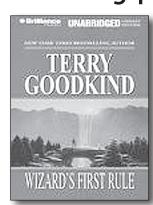
Reading this novel caused me to do something I haven't done in a long time: throw a book down in disgust.

I could accept the main villain's descent into overconfident stupidity, but the unbelievable explanation for an important final plot twist was too much. However, the rest of the plot was good enough that I soon picked the book up again and finished the

story, just to see what happened.
"Wizard's First Rule," published in 1994, is Terry Goodkind's first novel and the first in his "Sword of Truth" series. The new TV show "Legend of the Seeker" is based on the series.

Goodkind's world consists of three countries: the Westland, the Midlands and D'Hara. One of the strongest aspects of the novel is the author's detailed descriptions of various places, like the Westland forest, and Darken Rahl's palace. He also excels at explaining the societies in each country.

At its heart, the plot is very simple and clichéd: The hero gets a magic sword from his wizard mentor and fights the evil villain with the help of his companions, including a beautiful woman. Richard Cypher, a woods guide in Westland, is searching for his father's murderer. He rescues a woman named Kahlan from men who are stalking her, and takes her to his friend Zedd's house. Zedd reveals that he is a wizard, appoints Richard as the Seeker and gives him the magical Sword of Truth. Richard's purpose as the Seeker is to stop Darken Rahl, who rules D'Hara and plans to gain absolute power by using the three boxes of Orden. The three then travel to D'Hara to defeat Rahl. Confessors add something new to the typical wizards and magic. When these women touch someone and use their power, the people affected become slavishly devoted to the Confessors and will do anything they say joyfully, even if it means killing



themselves.

I found the minor characters like Rachel, Chase and Giller more interesting than Richard and Kahlan. Confessors are interesting because of their power, but Kahlan didn't stand out as a particularly memorable character. Aside from his magical sword, Richard wasn't very interesting either, and occasionally did things that made

For a group of people who are supposedly the "good guys," the three main characters are ruthless to the point of being willing to kill each other if doing so would stop Darken Rahl. The villain himself is a typical evil overlord with a lust for more power, and until his overconfidence becomes stupidity, is suitably ruthless and conniving.

One of my biggest problems with the book was the gratuitous violence and sexual content. It may be important for the plot and character development to depict how a character is tortured, but it certainly doesn't need to go on for 40 pages. Several characters are injured or killed in gory ways, and the description of how girls are turned into heartless Mord-Sith, who live for torturing people, is sickening.

My lack of interest in the main characters and disgust at the violent content will keep me from continuing the "Sword of Truth" series, but others may find the plot exciting enough to continue reading.

KANSAS STATE **COLLEGIAN**

Royals turnaround in sight



JUSTIN **NUTTER**

It's been 24 years since the Kansas City Royals have seen the postseason.

The glory days for a once-powerful franchise highlighted by the famous "I-70 Series" in 1985 – are becoming distant memories for the diminished fan base. For my generation, they're nothing more than stories.

However, for those still brave enough to call themselves fans, more than 20 years of disappointment seem to be coming to an end.

When former General Manager Allard Baird arrived in Kansas City in 2000, youth became the theme of the franchise. Countless veterans were traded for prospects – a scary word for Royals faithful - and the chaos began.

Baird had the right idea but didn't have the funds to carry it out. The early stages of his "youth movement" seemed to work as players like Johnny Damon, Jermaine Dye and Carlos Beltran developed into topnotch talent. But new owner David Glass, historically a penny-pincher by Major League Baseball standards, wouldn't increase the team's payroll enough to afford skilled players. The homegrown talent was traded away for minor leaguers and mediocre veterans.

For nearly seven seasons the franchise was like a broken record. The Royals averaged nearly 96 losses per season, and - with the exception of the surprising 83-79 finish in 2003 – ended every year dead last in the AL Central. Exit Baird and enter Dayton Moore.

Moore, formerly a scouting director in the Atlanta Braves organization, assumed the duties of GM midway through the 2006 season. Like Baird, Moore came to Kauffman Stadium with the idea that a successful team should be built around a core of young

talent, but he did it right. The Wichita native signed young free agents like Gil Meche, who became the ace of the pitching staff, traded unproductive veterans for younger (and more talented) players like Brian Bannister (one of the league's top rookies in 2007), and utilized the draft to perfection (see: Joakim Soria, one of the best closers in the league). Also, don't forget the talent the team has produced within its own organization: players like slugger Alex Gordon and pitcher Zack Greinke.

Most importantly, Moore convinced Glass to spend the money to keep the talent in Kansas City. For instance, Soria was given a contract extension through 2014, and Greinke, arguably the Royals' most talented pitcher, was recently locked up through 2012. Unlike his predecessor, Moore understood the franchise was doomed to the Major League cellar unless he could get the owner to fork over the dough.

Less than two seasons after joining the club, Moore has already laid the foundation and improvement is evident. The team he inherited in 2006 went 62-100. The 2008 squad won 13 more games and was better in nearly every statistical category. And for the record, last year's team had an average age of 28 years, 1.7 years younger than in 2006.

The numbers don't lie. The team is getting better each year. Don't order your World Series tickets just yet, but get ready, Royals fans. The light at the end of the tunnel is in sight, and it's been a long time coming.

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Down the stretch



Joslyn Brown | COLLEGIAN

During the first half of play, Kelsey Nelson runs down the court. Nelson scored five of the Wildcats' 51 points in their victory over Nebraska. The win brought the Cats to an overall record of 18-1.

Coach: Cats adapt as season heats up

By Britton Drown KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Behind the effort of junior forward Ashley Sweat and the Wildcats' perimeter shooting, head coach Deb Patterson's team answered yet another challenge as they defeated Nebraska 51-40 on Tuesday

For just the first time at home this season, the Wildcats found themselves trailing at half time, and Patterson knew her team needed to make an adjust-

"I like the overall adjustments. We didn't do anything extraordinary – we just made some subtle adjustments at half time," Patterson said. "We knew defensively that we had another gear in us, and I thought the team brought it in the second half."

That second gear helped the Wildcats build a lead coming out of the halftime break, as Kari Kincaid hit a 3-pointer at the 19:02 mark that sparked a 11-2 run, mounting a seven-point lead for the Wild-

Following the run, the Wildcats held the lead for the remainder of the game as their defense clamped down on the Cornhuskers' attack led by junior forward Cory Montgomery, who scored a game high

Nebraska head coach Connie Yori said the defense of K-State prevented her team from getting the shot opportunities it was looking for throughout the game. K-State's defense leads the Big 12 Conference, allowing opponents a mere 49 points per

"K-State is a great defensive team," Yori said. "It seems like every possession is such a great challenge and it's hard to score."

Shalin Spani and Kincaid led the way for the Wildcats in their second half surge. Both were held scoreless in the first half, but they combined for 16 points in the second half.

"You put some pressure on defensive with some aggressive quick-look perimeter shots and everything changes for you on the offensive end," Patterson said. "Credit both Shalin and Kari for that."

Despite a career-high 23 points against KU just one game ago, senior forward Marlies Gipson was

held to a mere two points on six shot attempts. However Patterson said the game plan adapted and evolved to the perimeter rather than Gipson's

"I think our players are learning there are a lot of different ways to win a basketball game," she said.

The Wildcats will travel to Ames, Iowa, and put their four-game winning streak on the line against Iowa State on Saturday. Tipoff for the game is set for 7 p.m., and the game can be heard on 1350



KRAUSE

Former AD will transfer

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The departure ends a short but tumultuous career as athletics director for Krause, who took the job in April 2008 after serving more than 21 years as the vice president for institutional advancement at K-State.

Krause rewarded former K-State football coach Ron Prince with a contract extension to go along with an increased yearly salary. Prince's buyout was also increased from \$300,000 to \$1.2 million, which the university must now pay off after his firing in November 2008.

A significant reason for Krause taking the position at the time was to continue the fundraising efforts of the \$70 million Wildcat Victory campaign, which is set to break ground this coming

The project consists of two phases, which include new practice facilities and a Hall of Fame built at Bramlage Colise-

There is no indication of when Phase II will begin, but it might include an expansion to the football press box to make it reach from end zone to end zone. \$35 million of the

project is set to be bonded, with the rest coming from important donors at K-State.

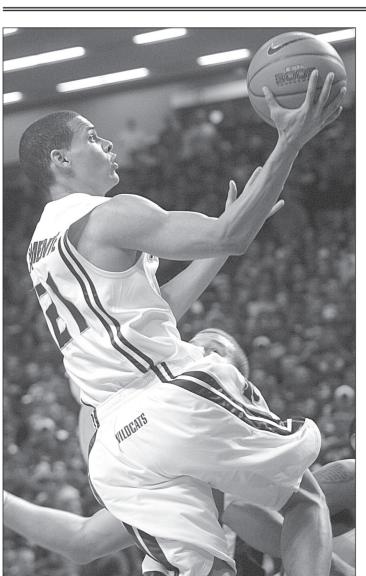
Krause said every-thing still remains intact with the project.

"The Wildcat Victo-ry campaign has close to \$6 million committed and the expansion project is well underway," Krause said in a statement released Tuesday. "The budget is balanced and the three-year financing plan should allow the department to have stability and achieve its goals."

Krause has been reassigned and will now serve as the director of development for the K-State Olathe Innovation Campus, effective March 31.

In his new role, Krause will become the head of the fundraising efforts for the Olathe campus, which has been in the planning and early development stages for 10 years.

Wefald announced that current Deputy Athletics Director Jim Epps will serve as the Interim Athletics Director beginning March 31, until a new athletic director is chosen by the next K-State president.



Jonathan Knight | COLLEGIAN

Denis Clemente, guard for the K-State men's basketball team, goes up for a shot against Oklahoma on Jan. 10 in Bramlage Coliseum.

K-State men hope to break Missouri's 4-game win streak

By Brad Dornes KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State men's basketball team returns home to play the Missouri Tigers tonight in Bramlage Coliseum. The Wildcats have won six of the last eight meetings against the Tigers, including four in a row at

K-State (12-7, 1-4 Big 12 Conference) is coming off its first win in conference play as the Wildcats defeated Colorado 77-75 in overtime last Saturday in the Coors Events

'When you have a young team like we have and have done some things right that doesn't result in a win, the team becomes frail," head coach Frank Martin said. "But anytime you win a conference road game you have to feel good about

During the game, K-State posted Big 12 highs for points, field goals (26), field goal percentage (46.4), assists (17), free throws (18) and free throws attempted (28).

"When we take good shots and keep the silly turnovers down, it al-

lows us to win," Martin said. Sophomore guard Jacob Pullen led the Wildcats with a team-high of 17 points. Denis Clemente scored all of his 15 points in the second half and also had seven assists.

"[Pullen] has been great," Martin said. "He's gone from a complimentary player and has accepted a completely different set of responsi-

bilities on this year's team."
Missouri (17-3, 4-1 Big 12) comes into Wednesday's contest on a fourgame winning streak after beating Texas Tech 97-86 at home on Satur-

Senior forward DeMarre Carroll leads the Tigers in scoring with 16.3 points per game and in rebounding with 7.1 rebounds per game.

Senior forward Leo Lyons is the only other Tiger who is averaging double-digit points with 14.1 per

The Tigers bring the most prolific offense of the Big 12 into Bramlage Coliseum averaging 85.4 points

per game. Missouri is 2-2 on the road this season and the team returns seven players, including four starters on a team that went 16-16 and 6-10 in Big 12 play during the 2007-08 sea-

"We know going in that it's going to be a tough ball game," Missouri head coach Mike Anderson said. "[The Wildcats] will be ready to play and we just hope to go in and play well."

Tipoff is scheduled for 8:10 p.m. and can be seen on the Fox Sports Network.

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will have an opportunity to make friends and interact with others on campus and in the community.

"The university wants to internationalize," Lewis said. "and one of the best ways to give an international experience to Kansas students and, in reverse, to international students is to increase the numbers of international undergraduates."

Similarly, current globalization trends beg greater cooperation between people from different countries.

"The world is very interconnected," Lewis said. "It is very important for university students to have an understanding of other cultures; to be able to know enough to break down stereotypes. More and more people need to work together on daily issues, such as energy and environment, and education is the key to

Another effect of incoming international students at K-State is the increase in tuition revenues, which is rendered from them paying outof-state tuition.

Commerce Bank in Manhattan was also affected by the increasing number of Chinese students. The bank has experienced a growth in international accounts and transactions.

"We have a great relationship with the Chinese students' support council, and we have seen a lot of referrals from them," said Carrie Rowe, director of the K-State Union branch of Commerce Bank. "They have been a really great partner."

Commerce Bank has had a branch in the K-State Union for more than 10

"The relationship that we have built with the students is growing, and it also includes the international students," said Tom Giller, community bank president of Commerce Bank in Manhattan. "Individuals bring in their friends and it snowballs if you are doing a good

Speaking about the impact of incoming Chinese students on the community, Giller said that they are "tremendous for community and the university."

"They are part of our customer base and we appreciate them," Giller said. "We like to help them out, ask, listen and solve issues, help them understand how banking works in America."

Rowe said interacting with international students also allows members of the community to become exposed to different cultures.

"I have learned so much about different cultures and countries," she said, "we just truly enjoy getting to know these people?

Shengyi Wang, freshman in journalism and mass communications from Shanghai, arrived at K-State in fall 2008.

"I came to the United States because of my mom," Wang said about the reasons she decided to study in America. "She has been to the U.S. for three months and said it was a great country. She wanted me to

Wang said her family found an agent in Shanghai who informed them K-State had a strong journalism department.

While Manhattan is very different from big Chinese cities, such as Shanghai, Wang said she likes her new home away from

"I like Manhattan because I like small cities," she said, "but for shopping I prefer big cities."

Wang said she does not have concrete plans for the future, but she is considering writing for a magazine. Right now her favorite is a Japanese fashion magazine,

Xiao Han is also from a big city in China, Guangzhou. While his agent suggested several schools he could attend for mechanical engineering, Han chose K-

"I searched some information on the Internet and found out that this is a quiet and peaceful city, and it is good to study here," Han said. "My choice is right so

Han said he decided to study in the U.S. because he prefers the American educational system.

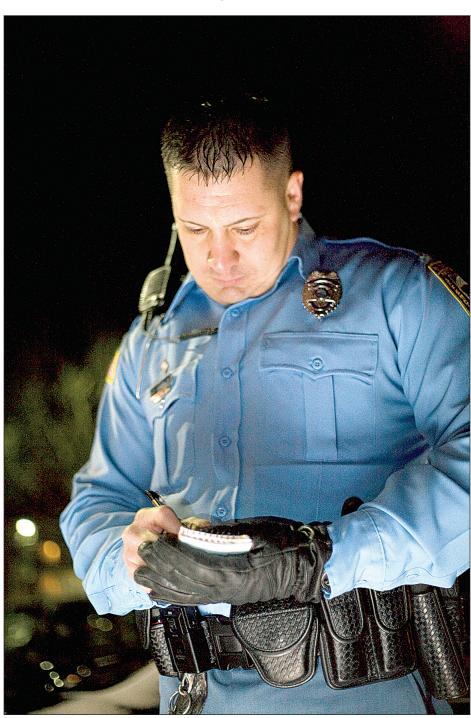
"I think the education in the U.S. is much, much better than the education in my country," he said.

Han said he also likes to experience American culture first-hand.

"A lot of people here are very kind," he said. "I heard that people in the big cities, like New York, are not that kind, so I am very glad to be

While the market for undergraduates Chinese was "the biggest immediately available and ready to come market," Lewis said, "we also want to bring in students from all over the world. International diversity is very important...Hopefully, we can continue these efforts in other countries as well," Lewis said.

Taking names



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